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Attorney Docket No. SUN-P6429-SPL

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Sir:

In connection with the above-referenced U. S. patent application, transmitted herewith are the following papers:

[X]	Preliminary Amendment.
[]	A petition for extension of time is also enclosed with a fee of \$55.00 for a one
	month extension for a small entity.
[]	Terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F. R. § 1.321(c), including
	[] check for \$110.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d), and
	[] 2 certificates under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
[]	Information disclosure statement, form 1449 and references.
[X]	No additional claims fees are required.

[] An additional fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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- [] Charge \$\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_ (Docket No. \_\_\_).
- [x] Please credit any <u>overpayments</u> or charge any <u>underpayments</u> to Deposit Account No. 50-1003 (Docket No. SUN-P6429-SPL).

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Respectfully submitted,

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## Please replace paragraph starting on page 1, line 19 with the following:

The subject matter of this application is related to the subject matter in a copending non-provisional application by the same inventors as the instant application entitled, "Solving a Nonlinear Equation Through Interval Arithmetic and Term Consistency," having serial number 09/952,759, and filing date of 13 September 2001 (Attorney Docket No. SUN-P6284-SPL).